SENATE BILL 391

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66 and Title 71, relative to certain property interests in the determination of eligibility for medical assistance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-106(b), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

To the extent permitted by federal law and not withstanding any other provision of law of this state, in determining eligibility for medical assistance, a life estate shall be deemed to exist on the date of creation instead of on the date of registration under title 66, chapter 24.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.